



Luvenia Cates

November 20, 1922 - January 1, 2013

God in His Infinite Mercy and Grace called His beloved child, Luvenia from her earthly home to His eternal heavenly home. In the early morning of January 1, 2013 LUVENIA EVANS CATES quietly slipped away to meet her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, parents, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends.

Luvenia was born on November 20, 1922 to the late James Evans and Lessie Robinson Evans in Cheraw, Chesterfield County, South Carolina. She was preceded in death by her elder brothers, Walker and Claude Evans and her elder sisters, Leola Evans and Dotsie Mae Rice. Luvenia was the youngest child. She received her early education in the Cheraw, South Carolina Public Schools and completed her secondary education while living with her aunt and uncle in Washington D.C. She moved to Baltimore, Maryland in 1947 to live and work with her brother, Claude and his wife, Viola. She met Willie A. Cates and they were married in 1948. She was a devoted wife and never left his side; even until death. From this union four children were born: Willie J. Cates (Butch), Joyce V. Cates-Vaughan, Quinton A. Cates and Jerris L. Cates.

As a child, she was nurtured and raised in a loving Christian home and she began her spiritual walk at the Pleasant Grove A.M.E. Zion Church, where she was active in many church activities. When she moved to Baltimore, she continued serving God at the Knox Presbyterian Church and participated in

many different ministries, i.e. Deacon Board, Presbyterian Women, the Soup Kitchen and the Golden Nuggets, just to name a few. “Lue,” as she was lovingly called by family and friends, made sure her children were raised in Church. She always told them to do the very best that they could and know that your help will always come from the Lord because He loves you and is always with you.

She held various jobs in the beginning to help support her family, but found her passion as a barber. She received her training at the Apex Barber Academy. She worked for the Rosewood State Hospital as a barber for over twenty years and worked alongside her husband, Willie at the family owned Cates Barber Shop. Luvenia retired from the State of Maryland in 1986 and began to attend the Oliver Center; she also attended the Ripken Learning Center to improve her reading and math abilities. In her later years, she enjoyed traveling. She made the annual trips with the Golden Nuggets and she traveled abroad with her daughter, Jerris to Rome, Italy, Austria and Germany.

Luvenia , who loved her family with all her heart showed it by moving her elderly parents from South Carolina to Baltimore to live with her family. She also went to South Carolina to care for her aunts, Essie Robinson and Maggie Howard. When her sister, Leola could no longer live alone, Luvenia moved her from Brooklyn, New York to Baltimore to care for her in her home.

Luvenia leaves to mourn: her four loving children, Willie J. Cates (Arlene), Joyce V. Cates–Vaughan, Quinton A. Cates (Colleen) and Jerris L. Cates; five grandchildren, Derrick E. Vaughan, Troy A. Cates (Darice), Wesley D. Vaughan, Ebony N. Cates and Tiffney A. Cates; great-grandchildren, Alexandria, Tavon, Brianna, Troy Jr., DaAliyah, David, Santino, Neveah and Nia; two sisters-in-law, Viola Evans and Margaret Evans; a host of nieces and nephews, relatives and friend.

Cemetery Details

Baltimore Cemetery

Baltimore, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 8. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

JAN 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

JAN 9. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Knox Presbyterian Church
1300 N. Eden Street
Baltimore, MD

Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Luvenia Cates*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

Ms Springer - January 14, 2013 at 08:53 AM



“ *Butch, Joyce, Quinton and Jeris..... i have been thinking about what to say in your time of sorrow as words always seem to fall short. I will always remember Ms Lu for her hearty laugh and her kindness towards others as i grew up next door to you guys. Having been in your shoes, i would just like to share these words of comfort that worked for me. Time slips by us so often without notice, but God alone has the handle on it. When I felt so sad or swallowed by grief after my mom's passing..... God gave me a little song to sing that really helped.....Love lifted me, when nothing else would help...love lifted me...remember Jesus is love.....He will lift you too. With much love, Gloria Wilson Gross*

Agnes Gloria Wilson (Gross) - January 09, 2013 at 01:11 PM

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“ There are people we know then there are people we treasure. Mrs. Cates was one of the people we treasure. You see, people really don't leave us; a part of them lives on in us, through all the fond memories. They stay in our hearts forever. Mrs. Cates is one of those who we will always have fond memories. She was sweet and kind. Losing a loved one is never easy, especially your mother. We will continue to lift you in our prayers.

The Peace Family - Balinda, Volanda, and Yolanda

Balinda V. Knight - January 08, 2013 at 12:15 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - January 02, 2013 at 02:48 PM